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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Hiroyuki NAKANO**

Serial No.: **09/748,012**

Filed: **December 27, 2000**

FOR: **FIXING ROLLER**

Group Art Unit: **3726**

Examiner: **Marc Jimenez**

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: February 6, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2002, Applicant amends the application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A fixing roller comprising:

a core;

a primer layer applied on the periphery of said core; and

a fluororesin top layer applied on the periphery of said primer layer,

wherein glass particles are mixed into at least one of said primer layer and said top layer;

and wherein a ratio of said glass particles to the top layer is a weight ratio of less than 3%.